

### **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

1. (Currently Amended) A system accessible by at least one user who seeks a certification over a computer network for planning and tracking certification, comprising:

a user information entry module that presents a first user interface to the at least one user seeking certification to create a user account over a network for selecting a desired certification authority and for entering user information relating to the certification by the desired certification authority;

a database storing at least one user profile associated with the at least one user seeking certification and at least one authority profile associated with the desired certification authority, wherein the at least one user profile specifies the user information including a selected desired certification authority and at least one user skill contained in the user profile, and wherein the at least one authority profile contains one or more certification requirements associated with the desired certification authority specified in the user profile;

a planning module executed at one or more workstations that generates one or more certification goals based on user entered information the at least one user profile and the one or more certification requirements in the at least one authority profile, wherein the planning module presents a second user interface to the at least one user seeking certification to select one or more presented certification goals, and wherein the planning module responds to the at least one user user's selection of the one or more presented certification goals to create a certification plan associated with the user account and wherein the planning module transmits the certification plan to the certification authority specified in the user profile; and

~~a tracking module executed at one or more workstations that updates the certification plan in response to input regarding achievement of the one or more user selected certification goals.~~

2. (Previously Presented ) The system of claim 1, wherein the certification plan relates to at least one of certification, re-certification, licensing, re-licensing in a field of endeavor.
3. (Previously Presented ) The system of claim 2, wherein the field of endeavor comprises a field relating to at least one of education, teaching, medical, engineering, legal, accounting, and sports.
4. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the certification authority comprises at least one of a federal government, state government, county government, local government, municipal government, public official, private official, governmental agency, non-governmental agency, public institution, and private institution.
5. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1, wherein the planning module is responsive to at least one of Needs Assessment and Certification Credit information for generating the certification.
6. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 1, wherein the planning module is responsive to certification credit transferred from another certification authority for generating the certification goals.
7. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 21, wherein the tracking module updates the certification plan based on at least one of a user input and non-user input.

8. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 1, wherein the planning module prioritizes the generated certification goals based on the one or more certification requirements of the certification authority.
9. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 1, further including a certification resource generator that associates at least one of the certification goals with at least one certification resource.
10. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 9, wherein the at least one certification resource comprises at least one of a course, program, session, seminar, audio lecture, video lecture, a book, a test, and a form.
11. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 9, wherein the at least one certification resource has a format comprising at least one of a course, session, seminar, degree program, test, form, book, audio, and video.
12. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 11, wherein the course comprises at least one of a live course and a self-paced course.
13. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 1, further including an on-line system accessible by the user for at least one of receiving, ordering, and registering for a certification resource.
14. (Cancelled)

15. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 21, wherein the tracking module transmits an e-mail to the user in connection with a certification goal.
16. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 21, wherein the tracking module alerts the user regarding a certification goal deadline.
17. (Original) The system of claim 1 further including an on-line grant module accessible by the user to search for a grant.
18. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 17, wherein the on-line grant module allows the user to apply for a selected grant.
19. (New) The system of claim 1, wherein the planning module transmits the certification plan, after being generated by the user, to the desired certification authority specified in the user profile.
20. (New) The system of claim 19, wherein the planning module transmits the certification plan for approval of the certification plan by the desired certification authority.
21. (New) The system of claim 1, further comprising a tracking module executed at one or more workstations that updates the certification plan in response to input regarding achievement of the one or more user-selected certification goals associated with the user account.